

From: [JOHNSON Keith](#)
To: [Kristine Koch/R10/USEPA/US@EPA](#); [Chip Humphrey/R10/USEPA/US@EPA](#)
Cc: (b) (6)
Subject: RE: Toxic Sites along the Willamette River: UW Landscape Architecture Grad Student Request
Date: 01/17/2012 08:20 AM

Chip and Kristine- I met with these UW students last week- they are working on a graduate thesis related to river cleanup/restoration in the Portland Harbor area and are looking for information/data bases, whatever. They may contact you in order to discuss the project and locate data related to the Remedial Investigation- particularly GIS info.

Tera/David/Leann- Chip and Kristine are two of the EPA Project Managers for Portland Harbor. Chip works in the Oregon office and Kristine in the Seattle office.

Good luck!!!

Keith

From: (b) (6) [mailto:(b) (6)]
Sent: Thursday, January 12, 2012 2:49 PM
To: JOHNSON Keith
Cc: Tera Hatfield; David Tomlinson
Subject: Re: Toxic Sites along the Willamette River: UW Landscape Architecture Grad Student Request

Hi Keith,

Thanks so much for setting aside your time to meet with us. We will come with directed questions. In case plans change, feel free to call my (Leann's) cell phone at (b) (6).

Thanks again and looking forward to meeting you!

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On Thu, Jan 12, 2012 at 12:41 PM, JOHNSON Keith <JOHNSON.Keith@deq.state.or.us> wrote:

I could meet at 330 here at our NWR offices, 2020 SW 4th Avenue, 4th floor.

We have some GW maps that our GIS guy can provide you, he just finished them.

As for borings, there are probably 10,000 in this area. So we should discuss on Friday what you are really looking for. My advice to you on Friday will be to clarify what questions you want answered and why, because there is more information on this part of the river than you'll ever be able to get your arms around.

I would suggest you begin by reviewing at a high level the remedial investigation and draft risk assessment reports on EPA's Portland harbor website for starters.

-----Original Message-----

From: (b) (6) [mailto:(b) (6)]
Sent: Thursday, January 12, 2012 10:34 AM

To: JOHNSON Keith

Cc: (b) (6)

Subject: Re: Toxic Sites along the Willamette River: UW Landscape Architecture Grad Student Request

Hi Keith,

Thanks for getting back to us. We would love to meet you Friday, perhaps around 3PM if that works for your schedule? Two of my team members, (b) (6) will be down to meet you. If that time does prove convenient, where should they meet you?

Myself and another team member cannot come down until late Friday night due to classes. This weekend we're trekking around Portland Harbor Saturday (around fences since many of the sites are off limits) as well as kayaking a bit of the Willamette Sunday, so we appreciate you taking time out of your week to speak with us.

In particular, we're interested in discussing toxic plumes with you (mapping visible/invisible flows etc) as well as any boring sample data you may be able to share. Really anything you think might be relevant (maps, GIS data etc) or information/maps that excite you would be great.

Moreover, we were able to obtain access to PSU's GIS data. Thank you again for sending it to your GIS guy.

We look forward to meeting you!

Best,
Tera

On Thu, Jan 12, 2012 at 1:44 AM, JOHNSON Keith

<JOHNSON.Keith@deq.state.or.us> wrote:

> I'd be around Friday during the day. And possibly an hour or so early afternoon on Saturday.

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: (b) (6) [mailto:(b) (6)]

> Sent: Wednesday, January 04, 2012 9:54 PM

> To: JOHNSON Keith

> Subject: Re: Toxic Sites along the Willamette River: UW Landscape Architecture Grad Student Request

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> Hi Keith,

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> Thanks for your reply. I'm glad you're interested in serving as a point of reference. Please find our initial proposal attached. It's still in progress, but I hope it gives you a good idea about us and what our aims are. We will be down in Portland next weekend (Jan 13-15/Friday-Sunday). Would you possibly be available for an interview? We would love to talk

to you regarding your work and your knowledge of the area.

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> Thank you again for your time and sending our request to your GIS person. We are extremely grateful.

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> Kind regards,

> Tera

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> On Tue, Jan 3, 2012 at 11:14 PM, JOHNSON Keith <JOHNSON.Keith@deq.state.or.us> wrote:

>> Tera, sorry for the delay in responding. I can serve as a point of reference. I would be interested in the full thesis proposal. I'll pass your request onto our GIS person, and hopefully they can help you.

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>> Keith Johnson

>> Manager, NWR Cleanup and Site Assessment Oregon Department of

>> Environmental Quality

>> Phone: [503.229.6431](tel:503.229.6431)

>> Cell: [971.246.3554](tel:971.246.3554)

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>> -----Original Message-----

>> From: (b) (6) [mailto:\(b\) \(6\) \]](mailto:(b) (6))

>> Sent: Wednesday, December 21, 2011 3:05 PM

>> To: JOHNSON Keith

>> Subject: Toxic Sites along the Willamette River: UW Landscape

>> Architecture Grad Student Request

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>> Dear Keith,

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>> My name is (b) (6) and I'm a good friend of Lee van der Voo (she interviewed you for few stories when she worked with the Tribune). She encouraged me to contact you. I'm a third year graduate student of landscape architecture and urban design at the University of Washington (I have a home in Portland). I'm working with two other individuals who are examining the Willamette River (via Superfund and Industrial adjacencies) for our graduate thesis. We're particularly interested in the remediation and experimentation with toxic sites.

>> We're currently collecting GIS data and information on contaminated and working industrial sites along the river beginning with Ross Island, Albina Rail Yard and all the way to Swan Island/Portland Harbor. Our scope isn't limited to Superfund sites, but it is a central component to our thesis. I would be happy to send you our full thesis proposal should you be interested.

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>> We would like you to serve as a contact/resource for this project.

>> Would you be interested in answering the occasional email and possibly engaging in an interview regarding Superfund sites along the Willamette River? In addition, we would be extremely grateful if you might be able to pass along particular GIS data that is currently only accessible via subscription. I've attached our current wishlist of items that we haven't been able to access or find (particularly landcover and bathymetry for the Portland Metro area or

really anything that requires a subscription or layers by government agencies would be extremely informative).

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>> Thank you so much for your time, and I look forward to hearing from you!

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>> Best,

>> (b) (6)

>> UW // MLA Candidate, 2012

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>> PS If you're interested, please check out my work below:

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>> portfolio: (b) (6)

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>> ----- Forwarded message -----

>> From: (b) (6) (b) (6) >

>> Date: Mon, Dec 19, 2011 at 1:51 PM

>> Subject: Re:

>> To: (b) (6) <(b) (6)>, (b) (6)

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>> Cc: (b) (6) (b) (6)

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>> Tera-

>> Attached is a master wish list. The 1st section is topical...w/o specs. The 2nd section shows fields from NOAA data collected along the Willamette--I think most of these are point files, indicating samples, rather than results, though I'm unsure, as their current availability is limited to really dumb software which I don't have the time to digest right now--and the GIS plugins for importing to ArcMap are written for v9, not v10. The desired fields are indicated in bold.

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>> I don't have so much, so anything, esp not accessible w/o subscription, or any layers by gov agencies would be extremely informative.

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